

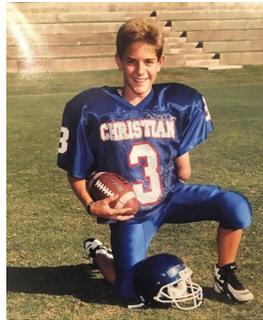


Richard Ramsay, SCA Class of 2005

"Life will be full of obstacles. The most calming thing to know is that God is there. He is real and His love for you is beyond comprehension," advises class of 2005 alumnus, Richard Ramsay.

Richard co-runs a non-profit organization called AMP1 Basketball. The group helps amputee basketball players who travel the country speaking, and using basketball to motivate, educate, and inspire. In addition, Richard is a head coach for NubAbility Athletics, a non-profit that coaches limb different kids, teaching them how to adapt to life without a limb. Lastly, Richard is a goalie for the US Amputee Soccer team.

At the age of eight, Richard knew he wanted to make shoes. Nike's "just do it" was a slogan this young athlete related to, and sports became a channel for Richard to develop his God-given abilities.



Richard encourages SCA students to "Fail forward. There really are no failures, only success and learning."



As a multi-sport athlete, Richard was encouraged and pushed by coaches and teachers who saw his potential.

You can follow Richard on Instagram: @onearmkid

Some teachers, faculty and coaches, he recalls, who made an impact on Richard's life were Messrs. Arthur, Chambers, Midkiff, Nitta, Sandstorm (Sonstroem), and Shishler; Mrs. Komar, and Mrs. Matney; Mr. and Mrs. Seyler; Coaches Bandura, Ediger, Fredericks, Hartman, and Tom Woods.



Today, Richard works in Innovation for Nike. As part of "The Nerderie," he has the privilege of collaborating with the likes of Tobie & Tinker Hatfield on projects like Nike's Air Max 90 FLYEASE.

"I've gotten to know and work with each of them over the last few years," remarks Richard. Each time gets better and better. However, this time, being able to work with both of them together was something super special." This update of a classic design served a purpose.

Accessibility was an important factor. A hands-free collapsible heel enabled more customers to use this iconic shoe.